

ALL EYES ON LACLEDE

Pershing Day Celebration the Coming Big Event

Last week a representative of the Associated Press visited Laclede and a few days later the following dispatch appeared in every daily paper throughout the west that uses the associated press service and since has appeared in hundreds of weeklies in all parts of the country. Former Linn county people and especially those who lived in Laclede are sending the Blade similar clippings from many states that have appeared in their home papers. The publicity thus given is making our coming celebration a national affair and Laclede is on the map in big letters:

"Independence Day will take on a new meaning for this Linn county village where 58 years ago, on the eve of one of the most bitterly fought internal wars of history, was born General John J. Pershing, the commander of America's Expeditionary Forces. Preparations are being made to make this year's celebration the greatest ever held in the county and almost every one of the inhabitants of Laclede is represented on some committee or another in connection with 'Pershing Day.' The first object which greets the traveler's eye, when the train pulls into town, is a huge sign, erected by public subscription, announcing 'Laclede, Mo., Home of General John J. Pershing.' Soldiers, eastward and westward bound, hail the sign with such vociferous cheers that a stranger could imagine they were entering Berlin with the kaiser and all his cohorts in chains.

Governor Gardner is scheduled as the principal orator at the Fourth of July celebration and other speakers include Dr. Burris Jenkins, J. C. Swift and Private Covey, all of Kansas City. Private Covey enlisted in the Canadian forces in 1914.

It is to be strictly a Pershing Day. A photograph or painting of the general will be displayed for every flag and all speeches must be a tribute to him or the relation of an incident in his life.

A baseball game between Brookfield and Marceline, possibly supplemented by batteries from the St. Louis Cardinals and Browns, is to be contested during the day, the gate receipts from which are to be given to the John J. Pershing Chapter of the Red Cross.

A parade, games and refreshments, also, have a place on the program.

Besides the distinguished general, Laclede has furnished 42 other men in the nation's cause.

Lemonade May Be Sour

Numerous requests have come to the State Food Administration for permission to use sugar in making lemonade and other soft drinks at picnics. F. B. Mumford, federal food administrator for Missouri, has ruled that county food administrators may issue permits to those making application to them to purchase 80 per cent of the amount they would normally require to sweeten their lemonade. This places the preparation of soft drinks for picnics on the same basis as are manufacturers of other soft drinks.

Do you get up at night? Sanol is surely the best for all kidney or bladder troubles. Sanol gives relief in 24 hours from all backache and bladder troubles. Sanol is a guarantee remedy. 50c and \$1.00 a bottle at Rexall Store.

Children's Day

The Methodist Episcopal Church, which is supposed to observe the second Sunday in June as Children's Day, were engaged in revival meetings and could not be ready at that date, so will observe Sunday night, June 23, and have prepared a very good program. Every one cordially invited to be present.

PROGRAM

Piano duett -----
Katherine and Beatrice Harter
Song, "America," ---- By School
Prayer ----- Dr. Sisson
Welcome ----- Cornelius Benson
Solo ----- Viola Anderson
Summer Days ----- Class No. one
Getting out to Sunday School, --
Eva and Edmund Mouser
I Am Glad ----- Raymond Ross
When I Get Big, -----
Lyle Savage, James Hamilton,
Forrest Wilson, Frances Sayles,
Erma Kent, Georgia Loesa Welsh
Reading ----- Hazel Wilson
Ladies Quartett -----
Catherine Moore, Lena Kent,
Beatrice Harter, Mercedes Mouser
Summer Voices of Praise -----
Lucile and Gene Groes
Naughty Playmates -- Wilma Hahn
Male Quartett -----
Dr. Sisson, William Kraft
E. E. Gould, Floyd Welsh
Reading ----- Lois Gould
Song ----- Class 15
Seven Pennies -----
William Hamilton
Solo ----- Letha Anderson
Violin Solo ----- Beatrice Harter
The Service Flag -----
Wilford Carroll Ziegler
Song ----- Class 14
Piano Solo ----- Catherine Moore
Reading ----- Miss Lulu Walker
Remarks --- S. S. Superintendent
J. Paul Jones
Collection
"Star Spangled Banner" ---
Mrs. John C. Brown
Benediction.

Linn County Waking Up

The United States Government says that Home Demonstration work is just as essential in this war emergency as the other defense measures it has provided. In times of peace, women in those counties where there were Home Demonstration Agents agree that not only were they as individuals benefitted by the work but that their entire communities felt its influence.

This work is supported by the U. S. Government by appropriations made last August when money enough to place thirty five woman workers in as many counties was made available. Twenty eight of these have already been placed and other counties are in the process of organization.

The work of organization the county was started in Linn County last Monday and is progressing nicely. It only remains for everyone who is interested in helping the government defense plans along get behind the movement. Those districts which are the most thoroughly organized most naturally will receive the most benefit and be the most help to the defense measures which are presented through the woman's division of the Council of Defense. Where do you stand? We think everyone will be found on the right side. This is a rare chance for us to get something almost for nothing as the government pays the entire salary of this woman worker and the membership fees of one dollar each goes to pay the local running expenses of the work. If you have not signed a membership list, get in touch with your local committee and do so at once as the campaign ends on June 22, and the membership lists and fees must be in by the 26th of the month. Look up

the schedule of meetings in last week's paper and attend the one nearest you.

Home Demonstration Meeting

For various reasons the attendance at the meeting held at the city hall Wednesday afternoon in the interest of securing a home demonstration agent for Linn county, was not large, but all present were heartily in favor of the movement and pledged their membership. Mrs. Jenkins, county chairman of the woman's council of defense and Mrs. Gillis of Brookfield, and Miss Teasdale, who is representing the home extension department of the college of agriculture, were in attendance and fully explained what was necessary to secure a demonstration agent. The work here will be in charge of Mrs. E. E. Gould, member of the woman's county council of defense.

The following membership committees were appointed: In the northeast section, Mrs. Ida Benson, Mrs. J. Paul Jones and Mrs. A. J. Baum. In the northwest section, Mrs. E. E. Gould, Mrs. Max Jones and Mrs. Laura Dick. In the southwest section, Mrs. T. D. Mouser, Mrs. F. F. Dresser, and Mrs. H. L. Allen. In the southeast section Mrs. Estes. For the country district west of town, Mrs. Roy Rowland, Mrs. Lee Wilson and Mrs. Cora Rowland.

Report on membership must be made by Wednesday, June 26 and 850 must be secured in the county to insure an agent.

Kenneth Hoyt in France

Kenneth Hoyt, who enlisted in the navy and left Laclede the latter part of March, is now in France. His mother, Mrs. H. H. Hawes, this week received a letter from him dated somewhere in France, June 2, in which he says: "Guess you have heard from Helen by this time that I was to go to France. We sure had a fine trip on our way over. There were some troops on the transport that I came over on and I met a soldier from Boonville that knew Will Helm of Boonville, and Major Mullins of Linneus, and also knew a farmer by the name of Nelson between Laclede and Linneus. I also met a soldier who lived twelve miles from Howard's Uncle Jack Wheeler, and said he used to go to school with the Wheeler girls. I don't remember the names of either of them.

Don't know when I will get back to the United States but I hear we will get 1 cent railroad fare when we go on a furlough. Was out in a French city yesterday and saw some very interesting things, such as ancient buildings, and attended a carnival. They had three merry-go-rounds but they were different from the ones in America. The people were having a jolly time.

I made the trip over without getting seasick. As for my part, I have enjoyed navy life so far. Will close. My address is U. S. S. Carola, care Postmaster, New York."

Red Cross Workers

The Forker Branch of the Red Cross is a alive and industrious organization and there is a good bunch out at each work period. Those at the work room on Thursday of last week were Mesdames M. Fall, Kimble, Lula Welsh, Loudon, Prewitt, Packer, Dowell, Cole, Edwards, Ella Brady, Fay Weatherly, Grantges, Shelda Brenner, Edna Facto, Gladys Bennett, Baker, Clough, Humphries, Andrews, and Misses Vina Clough, Muriel Barnett, Bernice Read, Fay Dowell, Monafae Hamill, Frances Frakes, Edith Fay, Bernadine Fay, Alice Lomax.

Mrs. Boomer and Edna Boomer were visitors. They worked on hospital shirts and 690 triangle bandages were sent in.

Royal Neighbor Work Meeting

A loyal crowd of 100-per-cent Americans assembled at the home of Mrs. Allie Harter last Friday to work for the Red Cross. Two machines were kept humming and by 2:30 ninety-five bandages were finished. That being all the work on hand the rest of the afternoon was spent in having a good social time. At noon the table was spread and besides the corn bread and rice there were heaps of goodies that reminded one of the good old times before the war.

The Royal Neighbors present were Mesdames Harry Landree, J. E. Welsh, P. F. Weaver, A. J. Caywood, H. D. Hall, A. G. Groes, Byron Lamme, Thorne Lamme, Ella Mahurin, J. T. Duncan, J. Q. Aber, C. E. Hudnell and Miss Myrtle Harter. The guests were Rev. Dr. Sisson, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Lomax, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bigger, Mrs. J. W. Power, Mrs. Etta Foreman, Mrs. Roy Rowland, Mrs. Carlos Anderson, J. E. Welsh, A. J. Caywood, H. D. Hall, P. F. Weaver, and Misses Anna Ransom, Etta Power, Pearl Power, Bettie Anderson, Ruth Foreman, Orliwa Anderson, Byrdie Power, Georgia and Russell Welsh. The next all-day work meeting will be held with Mrs. H. C. Lomax, Friday, July 12.

War Saving Quotas

This township's quota in the War Savings Stamp drive now on and to end June 28, is \$45,905. It is apportioned by school districts. Meetings are to be held at every school house in the county on June 28, at 2:00 o'clock and all people are expected to devote the entire afternoon to securing pledges to the amount of their respective districts. Following is the quota of the respective school districts in this township, together with the name of the president and secretary of the school board:

Laclede, \$11,000; J. Paul Jones, L. F. Moore.
Bruner, \$4,950; A. H. Farrar, C. H. Frazier.
Sunny Point, \$4,805; Geo. Wade, Ed. McDonnell.
Plum Grove, \$4,350; E. R. Barton, J. L. Wade.
Oak Arbor, \$4,750; J. M. Simpson, E. E. Berry.
Locust Creek, \$5,500; J. L. Mouser, J. M. McDonnell.
Pleasant Grove, \$3,350; P. H. Hoyer, Lon McCoy.
Forker Consolidated District, \$8,400, Ross Loudon, Ira Frakes.

The Food Administrator is making a careful survey of the national ice situation in order that it may be prepared to meet any sudden shortages in particular communities. The destruction of ice plants by fire, breakdown of machinery, or the exigency of the weather may at any time cause a serious shortage.

We can do one of two things. We can play the game with Hoover and cut down our wheat consumption fifty per cent, or we can play the game against him and with the Germans. Which are you going to do, play the Hoover game or the German game.

Meadville Chautauqua

August 17 to 25

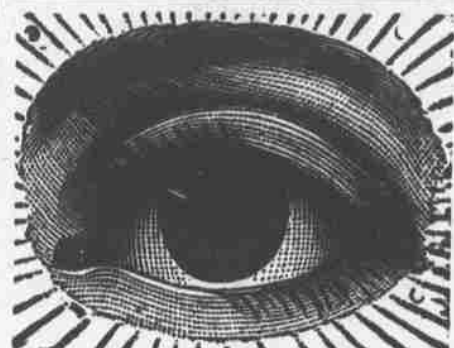
SEASON TICKETS NOW ON SALE

June price \$2.00, plus war tax 20c
Child's Ticket 75c, plus war tax 8c

L. S. THARP, Secretary

More Workers Needed

The new Red Cross headquarters is very pleasant and the attendance at the work meetings keeps up. But more workers are needed. Don't wait for someone to give you a personal invitation but come to the work room and help. Consider this your duty. Don't let the hot weather keep you away. Our soldier boys are doing their duty in all kinds of weather. Why not you? Those at the work room Tuesday afternoon were Mesdames F. R. Power, A. V. Moore, L. B. Jones, J. Q. Aber, Noah Wilson, E. E. Gould, C. E. Tracy, A. E. Johnston, Kate Spokesfield, J. T. Bassett, Lee Wilson, W. R. Barton, Misses Mollie Brewer, Dorothy Stratton, Marceder Mouser, Birdie power, Allene Byrd, Nora Wade Gladys Power, Frances Talbott, Lois Gould, Gretna Spokesfield, Ethel Garside, Gladys Henry, Mima Kranz, Anna Henry, Lucy Bennett, Frances Lamme, Allene Skulley, Hazel Wilson, Pauline Sensintaffar, Christena Johnson, and Miss Brendahl of Michigan.



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